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## 18 Rinks In Local Bonspiel

An enthusiastic bunch pulled off the Crossfield bonspiel last week, there being 18 local rinks and two from the outside. The two main events were won by the rink skipped by A. D. Stevens and the consolation event went to Carl Becker's rink. This week a mixed bonspiel is underway and everyone seems to be having a good time. Prizes were donated by General Supplies, MacIn Motors, Henry Birks Ltd., Premier Laundry, Deliveries Ltd., Parlow & Moon, T. Baker, Mac, Pringle's Hatchery, Banister Electric, Oliver Hotel, Atlas Lumber Co., U.F.A. Co-op, Balam's Grocery, Crossfield Meat Market, Steve's Store, Home Cafe, Oliver Cafe, Moon's Groceries, N. A. Johnson, F. Becker, and a special prize for local competition donated by the Royal Hotel. Three rinks of farmers competed for a special prize donated by L. B. Beddoes, and won by the rink skipped by George R. Jones.

## B. Buterman Dies In Calgary

Widely known in Southern Alberta, Eugene Buterman, 72, of Drumheller, died in a Calgary hospital Friday after a brief illness.  
Mr. Buterman was born at Vizeven, Holland.  
He came to Canada in 1910, direct to Lebride. The same year he moved to Medicine Hat where he lived until moving to Crossfield in 1923. He farmed in the Crossfield district until retiring in 1943 and moving to Drumheller.  
His wife, Gertrude, died in January 1941.  
Surviving are seven sons, Otto, Kimberley, B.C.; John, Clearholm; Albert, Creston, B.C.; Robert, Drumheller; Garrit and Tony, both of Calgary, and Henry, Vancouver; three daughters, Mrs. J. Jullio, Medicine Hat; Mrs. Fred Adams, Crossfield; and Johanna, Calgary; 17 grandchildren and one great grandchild.  
Rev. J. V. Howey officiated at services at Crossfield United church, Thursday at 2:30 p.m. Interment was in the family plot, Crossfield. McInnis and Holloway had charge of funeral arrangements.  
Pallbearers were: A. Adams, C. Fox, J. Thomson, V. Gilbert and J. Verkuil.

## ELBA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Tesky of Rocky Mountain House spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson.  
Mr. and Mrs. Art. Sauter, Ed. and Elmer Sauter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heine and Mr. and Mrs. Rennie moved to Hatton, Sask., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sauter, Sr.  
Bob and Walter Stewart made a fishing trip to Lake McGregor recently. We are not saying how many they caught, but expect that there are quite a lot of fish in the lake yet.  
George Milner is taking the first year University course at the Mount Royal College and in the Xmas tests made an average of 74, being the highest marks in the class.  
The regular monthly meeting of the Elba Red Cross was held at the home of Mrs. Herb. Stewart on February 6.  
The chief topic of discussion was "The Ways and Means of Raising Money for Future needs". The hostess served a dainty lunch to the members after the meeting.  
Mr. W. H. Miller, who was operated on last week in a Calgary hospital is feeling fine as a fiddle but is having some difficulty in putting in the many long days in the hospital.

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## LOCAL NEWS

Don't forget the picture show in the U.F.A. hall on Saturday evening.

Fred Adams is a patient in the Calgary hospital.

Joe Kurtz is a patient in a Calgary hospital, and is doing nicely.

Sterling Jones is amongst the latest of our servicemen to arrive home from overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reid returned home after spending several weeks at the coast.

Lucille Mason left on Tuesday for Nova Scotia where she will enter a hospital to train as a nurse.

Mrs. Howey, Sr. is spending a few days in town and is the guest of Mrs. Kotow.

Weather permitting the local hockey team will meet the Olds Elks in Crossfield on Sunday afternoon. Come and support your team.

Miss Alice Huaton is the new night operator at the telephone exchange.

Lorraine Nichol has resigned to take up a dress-making course in the city.

The quilt-raffle by the C.W.L. was won by Miss Elsie Thompson and the crocheted chesterfield set won by Billy English.

Mr. Orville Zinn and family accompanied by Ruth Bennett were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Zinn's sister in Crossfield.

The Health unit nurses were in attendance at our local school for several days last week giving the children a general medical check up.

Jim Methers was receiving the congratulations of his friends on Friday last on the attainment of his 70th birthday.

W. Stralo skipped a rink of local veterans curlers in the Calgary veteran curler'sspiel and came home with the 4th prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leask were Sunday visitors in Calgary visiting Mrs. Leask's brother who is a patient in the Holy Cross hospital.

Local rinks taking part in the Edmonton bonspiel comprise Carl Becker, D. J. Hall, B. Lilley, H. Fenwick, and W. D. McCool, E. Fox, G. Purvis, K. Borbridge.

Miss Irene Hesketh returned recently from overseas where she served with the C.W.A.C. She is at present spending part of her leave visiting relatives at Gleichen.

Hector McDonald spent a few days in the General hospital last week-end. He was to have been operated on Saturday but it was postponed due to a heavy cold. He is now home again.

The regular monthly meeting of the Floral U.F.W.A. will be in the form of a St. Valentine's party to be held in the United church parlor on Wednesday February 13th at 2 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Nomination Day for a Village councillor brought two names out, H. A. Barnister, the retiring member was re-nominated together with E. Bills. The election will be held in the Village office on Monday, February 11th.

Rev. Howey was a Didsbury visitor on Wednesday of this week and was in attendance at the meeting of the Red Deer presbytery in Olds, of which first-vice Wad was the man went down of Crossfield is a part.

The annual meeting of the Crossfield branch of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League will be held in the Masonic basement on Thursday, February 21st commencing at 8 p.m. All ex-servicemen and women will be welcomed.

The district lost another old timer in the death of Arthur Gittos who passed away in a Calgary hospital. He had been in failing health for some months but he did not go into the hospital until he had to go. He was one of the original pioneers of this district coming here with his partner the late Rev. an Richards from Red Deer and settled on Stoney Creek before the turn of the century. He was born at Clwyd, Wales, 81 years ago and had been in Canada over 60 years.

## Crossfield Team Will Enter Prov. Hockey Playdowns

The Crossfield Hockey club has entered a team in the provincial Intermediate B Hockey Playdowns, and has asked six of the first line players from the Carstairs team to play with Crossfield. This will make a very strong team (18 players in all) and as a get-together game for a good work-out, a game has been arranged with the Olds Elks for next Sunday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock at the Crossfield rink. If you want to see some fast action come and see the boys go, and they need your support.

Hockey sticks are very hard to get and any one that might have a good stick that they have no more use for this year the Hockey club would be glad to buy it from them.

Watch for the league playoff posters this week. Dates on quick notice.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Butler entertained the local hockey team to a most enjoyable and delicious supper at their home Sunday last.

The donations to the hockey club have been very keen and the amount to date is over \$200.00 and still coming in. This is not all that is wanted, according to "Punch" Bills. They want your attendance and a voice at the game. They need your support in the play-offs and a little bit of noise and cheers to help the boys. If you haven't seen the boys in action you have missed something. They have only lost one game this year and that was on tough ice. Give the boys a lift and they will be very hard to beat.

Some improvements have been made at the local rink to help make it nicer for the crowd. The new ice has been checked back and a dressing room added for the hockey players, so as to give more room for the people inside the shack between periods. A players box has been added to make room for the teams. New blue lines and even a new referee, Tommy Arnot, has consented to help with the whistle blowing. Come out and help the referee or cheer for all. We want you to see the game. We want you to feel good.

At this time it looks like the local team plays Didsbury in the league playoff for home and home games, total goals to count. Next week—watch for posters.

The local Junior team played Didsbury last Friday evening and won by a score of 4-0. They played a hard fought game and showed a lot of passing for junior players. Looks like we will have some good hockey players in the years to come.

## \$1,000 Voted To Aid Crippled Children

The Olds Red Cross group held their heli annual meeting Feb. 4th, with a fair attendance. The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read. The financial statement for the year closed the most successful year in the history of the group. The reports were adopted on motion by J. Murray and W. Benn.

The Crippled Children's hospital in Calgary was voted the sum of \$1,000 and this was put forward on motion by L. Smith and A. A. Dunkley. The motion met with the unanimous approval of all those present and is in support of a very worthy cause.

An election of officers was held and on motion by A. A. Dunkley and Jas. Murray the same slate of officers was re-elected. However, it was moved that Mayor A. A. Dunkley should be honorary president.

A special speaker of the evening was Mr. Diming who had spoken to the student of the O.E.A. during the afternoon.

Mr. Diming spoke for 30 minutes and held his audience spellbound as he told of the infamous trek of Allied prisoners of war across Germany in the dying months of World War II.

Mr. Diming stressed the work of the Red Cross and thanked all those who in any way contributed to the cause.

The President, Mr. Diming, for his interesting talk, following which the meeting adjourned.

The Provincial meeting of the Red Cross will be held in Edmonton at a date to be announced.

The annual Red Cross Drive begins in March with an objective of \$400,000 which will be used to some extent to supply blood plasma to Canadian hospitals provided that the money used is charged to be to the patient.

The Olds Gazette

## Government Proposes Combined Board

At the regular meeting of the council of the Municipal District of Mountain View held at Didsbury on Monday, February 4th, among the communications was a letter from the combined Departments of Education and Municipal Affairs advising that a committee comprised of officials of the two departments had been appointed by the Provincial Government to investigate and bring in a report on the following matters:

1. Mutual representation to both Municipal District Council Meetings and School Divisional Board meetings of councillors and trustees respectively.

2. Continuous boundaries of Municipal Districts and School Districts resulting in a uniform mill rate within each Municipal District.

3. One administrative body to administer the affairs of Municipal district, School division and Hospital district.

4. Uniform mill rate for school purposes over the whole province in rural areas.

5. Resources - should they be provided for by the taxing authority or by the school authority.

The Council of Mountain View Municipality submitted a brief to the Department of Municipal Affairs on the above matters.

One Old Age pension was granted and two applications were received. Two proposals were made under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act. The tax situation in each case has not been disturbed.

Council gave permission to L. T. Barnes to operate a feed mill business in Sundre and to James Miller, Jr. to operate a garage 12 miles east of Crossfield.

Prairie Farmers Assistance Act officials advised that Township 30-27-4, 28-28-4 and 28-27-4 do not qualify and withdrawal has been asked. No decision was made on 29-21-4.

A tax constitution by - law was passed. Another by-law was approved providing the same discount as last year, i.e. 10 per cent if paid within 30 days of issuance of tax notices and 5 per cent if paid before the first of December.

A delegation was present to ask that a road be opened up on the S. W. 16-31-5 just east of Didsbury. This new road if opened would cut diagonally across this quarter section and would save about the present road around the corner. No definite decision was taken by the council.

Accounts and pay sheets were passed and the council adjourned to meet again March 4th.

## SPORTSMEN! ATTENTION!

The annual meeting of the Crossfield and District Fish and Game Assoc. will be held in the Fire Hall on Tuesday, February 12th at 3 p.m. A large turnout is requested.

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## TASTES DIFFER

Proving There Cannot Be Ten Best Of Anything

Last week a group of New York dressmakers issued a list of "the ten best-dressed women in the world." We were not impressed, says the St. Thomas Times-Journal. Since then we found in the New York Herald Tribune a list of "the ten best books in the world," suggested by a well-known and undoubtedly literary contributor Grenville Kleiser. Mr. Kleiser says there will be differences of opinion as to the ten best of anything, but he is quite emphatic in claiming that his list comprises the ten best books of all time.

The list did impress us, but not in the way Mr. Kleiser means. Here it is: 1. The Bible; 2. Shakespeare; 3. Plato's "Republic"; 4. Aristotle's "Metaphysics"; 5. Marcus Aurelius' "Meditations"; 6. Carlyle's "French Revolution"; 7. Butler's "Analogy of Religion"; 8. Hamilton's "The Federalist"; 9. Lotze's "Microcosm"; 10. Emerson's "Representative Men".

The first two would probably be the unanimous choice of any literary people, also one or two others, but speaking for ourselves we'd hate to be marooned on an island, or isolated in a remote area with only those ten books. High-brows like Mr. Kleiser would revel in his classics.

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## Golf Expert

British Professional Hopes To Make The Game A Big Spectacle

Henry Cotton, outstanding British golf professional, has few ideas which (he hopes) will make the game as big a spectacle as other sports events.

He was ready with an answer when sceptics wondered how it will be financially possible to double the £500 (£2,000) prize money in the British open at St. Andrews next July.

"It's perfectly simple," said Cotton. "Breed stands at selected points on golf courses where play can be seen in comfort and commentaries on the progress of leading players heard through loud-speakers."

He predicted hundreds of spectators would be willing to pay £2 or more for tickets enabling them to follow play during the tournament, in addition to thousands of others who would pay five shillings for regular entry.

Cotton, who won the British open in 1934 and 1937, said players are often hampered and "their chances of winning are destroyed by the rushing crowds."

St. Andrews is a narrow and cramped course, is particularly tough for name players who attract large galleries.

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## Children Of Poland

Were Denied Milk, Butter And Fruit During German Occupation

NEW YORK.—More than a million Polish children were orphaned during the German occupation of Poland. The tuberculosis rate among Polish children is more than 80 per cent, or more than double the pre-war rate of 35-40 per cent. In almost totally destroyed Warsaw, there are 70,000 children among the present population of 450,000. Living in the ruins and lacking medical and nursery care. The average weight of Warsaw's babies to 18 months is 10 per cent below normal. During the occupation all milk, butter and fruit were prohibited to Polish children and, in an effort to destroy Polish culture, the Germans closed all Polish schools, museums, libraries and cultural institutes and killed more than 40 per cent of the primary school teachers. — Polish Press Agency.

## Must Hold Markets

Business Hard To Regain After It Has Been Lost

Once markets are lost, it is so hard to regain the business. That says W. L. Clark in the Windsor Star, is why Canadians have to do everything possible to hold the markets gained through the war. If these are allowed to slip away, it will take a supreme effort to get them back again.

The Canadian farmers have been shipping food to Great Britain and other countries. The heavy demand will fall away, but there should remain a healthy market for all exportable food products, whether they be grains or meats.

As life assumes a more normal trend overseas, the people will insist on higher grade and higher quality. Quantity is the paramount objective now, but quality will soon be the more important. That is what the Canadian producers have to realize.

## Sane Eating Habits

Should Be Followed For Prevention Of Sickness And Disease

Ontario's new Health Minister, Russell T. Kelly, is going to warn on improper diet. The heavy demand will fall away, but there should remain a healthy market for all exportable food products, whether they be grains or meats.

A doughnut, a soft drink and a cigarette makes up no proper lunch for a business girl or anyone else, he said in announcing a dual policy of educating citizens in sane eating habits and prevention of sickness and disease.

"Before the war we thought we lived in a healthy country," he added. "Yet 30 per cent of our boys were turned down as unfit by the armed forces. That is a black mark against our people."

## Court Interpreter

Man Of Many Languages, "Sonny" Sonnenberg Dies

Adolphe (Sonny) Sonnenberg, dean of Montreal court interpreters, died in hospital after a short illness. He was 75.

Born in Lodz, Poland, Mr. Sonnenberg came to Canada as a youth. He became known as "the man with many languages," as he could speak fluently in Polish, Hungarian, Russian, German, Ukrainian, Jewish, English and French.

## The Value Of Exports

The Lethbridge Herald says: Newspaper is Canada's greatest single export today, exceeding in value our wheat exports. Some people profess to have a poor opinion of exports, claiming that we are merely robbing ourselves for the benefit of the other fellow. Yet the newspaper industry, like the wheat growing industry, provides a lot of jobs for Canadians. And jobs are quite important these days.



DOCTOR 56 YEARS, STILL, PRACTISING.—Dr. Austin Hager Speers, Burlington, Ont., family doctor for 56 years, has delivered well over 2,000 babies into the world, in his medical service to his community. Now, at 75, he has decided "to ease up a little." Dr. Speers is retiring as the town's medical health officer and health supervisor of the public schools and the high school, and will continue his private practice. "Many is the time," he recalled, "when I have had to walk mile after mile through heavy snow to get to a farmhouse in time to deliver a baby. I used to leave my horse and buggy and take to deep snow, walking through fields that were covered with snow to the tops of fences. But it was all a wonderful experience."

## New Pay Scale

Rates In All Services Are Expected To Be Uniform

Service officials said improved rates of pay, allowances and pensions, in line with general policy set down in the Commons last September by Defence Minister Abbott, were being considered by an inter-service committee. No final decisions have been reached.

Officials said the new scale likely would be announced when terms of service in the permanent forces were made known March 31.

It was recalled that an official was recently quoted as saying pay rates would be generally uniform in all services but that specialists such as navy divers and army parachutists likely would get supplementary allowances.

Air Minister Gibson was quoted in London as saying the government was planning to raise the rates of pay in the armed forces so that men who comprise the permanent force will be given the same remuneration as they would expect to earn for similar work in private industry.

## Frozen Earth

Said To Be Breeding Near The Top Of The World

The belt of permanently frozen earth lying near the top of the world is slowly receding, if findings reported at Moscow are general. The Archaic region, for example, the southern boundary of the frozen belt has moved almost 100 kilometers (60 miles) farther north during the past 96 years.

Although the gain is minute—a fraction of a degree of heat in a century—this discovery has great economic possibilities. The city of Yakutsk, for example, has for years derived its water supply in an expensive and inconvenient manner from a nearby river. Water has now been found at a depth of 400 meters, where there is no ice, and wells are being sunk.

## LOOKED LIKE WHALE

When the British submarine Virtue ran through a school of whales, some 60 to 70 feet in length, lazily on the surface of Metrolia Bay, Queensland, Australia, she was apparently accepted as one of the whales as she cruised within 20 yards of one monster without causing any reaction.

## Houses In London

Construction Has Been Speeded Up By Using New Method

Six men, working for five days, have just built for the London County Council the first of a number of semi-detached permanent houses. It contains living room, kitchen, hall, three bedrooms and a bathroom. The framework is of steel, and was cast in brick so as to appear no different from the ordinary brick house. Inside, the walls are lined with plaster. The house can be lived in while the bricklaying proceeds, the steel walls being adequate protection against weather. The cost was about \$2,500, but it is said this will be reduced considerably as more are built.

In Lincolnshire, two houses standing next door to each other and identical in every way, were sold on the same day by auction. One went for about \$2,500, while the other brought more than \$7,500. The difference was that the \$7,500 one was available for immediate occupation by the buyer; the other wasn't. — News, Toronto.

## Common Dangers

Which The General Public Should Guard Against

There are three things this newspaper has harped upon from time to time, in the hope that our sermonizing will do some good. We make no apologies for repeating them. One is to guard against bulls, which are untrustworthy creatures, another is to be on guard against letting a gun go off whether at home or in the woods, and the other is to be cautious in the application of coal oil to rekindle a fire. From each of these causes many lives have been needlessly sacrificed. Remember them. — St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## TOO FREQUENT

A millowner was an employer of the old school. One day one of the oldest hands approached him. "I want next Friday off, sir," he said.

"What for?"

"Well, you see, it's like this. It's my sister wedding, and me and the missus is going to have a bit of a do."

"Oh, yes," said the employer. "And is this going to happen every 25 years?"

## "SHADOW OVER ARGENTINA"



## Round The World Flight

Montreal Man Who Went East And Eventually Reached Vancouver

(By Edna Jacques)

"The farther I got away from Canada the more Canada seemed to me," says Major Alan Duckett, of Montreal.

Major Duckett ought to know. He has just finished a flight around the world. Leaving Dorval airport near Montreal, he went to England. From there he flew to Manila, via Cairo, Karachi and Calcutta. From there he went to Tokyo, was one of the few Canadian Army Officers to get there, in fact, going via Okinawa to General McArthur's Headquarters, and then to Manila. After his tour of duty, he returned to Canada from Manila by ship to Portland, Oregon, and up to Vancouver.

"To think," the Major smiled, "I lived in Montreal most of my life and thought of Vancouver as being west. But I returned to Canada by the back-door route, thus travelling eastward to Vancouver."

"Japan's prices are so far up in the air that no ordinary man can afford anything," reports Major Duckett. "For instance, the manager of the Dai-Ichi Hotel in Tokyo gets 300 yen a month. It costs exactly that for a pair of ordinary shoes, the quality that sells here for around \$4. Egypt is fairly cheap. A meal in a common restaurant costs about \$2. In India it was about the same. In the Philippines you couldn't get a night's living on the doorstep—no food to be bought. I ate at the Army Camp all the time."

"Living conditions in Tokyo are deplorable. Just across the street from my window in the hotel, a little family, father, mother and three children were living on a door step. Just simply living on the doorstep—no food to be bought. I ate at the Army Camp all the time."

"I watched them huddled there, cold, homeless, hungry. The mother eventually went mad and they took her away. People in the far Eastern countries don't have 'living conditions' they just live—that's all."

What do you consider your most dangerous moment since you enlisted in 1942, we asked him. "Well after D-Day, undoubtedly the day of the liberation of Paris," the Major laughed. "I happened to be there that day and it's a wonder any of us got out alive. The people went mad with joy. You know, it's a funny thing, but I've lived all my life in a country that is free, freer than any European country could be. I've heard fancy speeches and sung songs about freedom, but it was only then I knew the real meaning of the word."

"Just to see the joy and happiness of these people in being free again, was wonderful. They'd run along beside the troops singing and bearing bread, butter, eggs and wine. Not fancy fare but it was all they had to give. They laughed and cried with joy."

France is working hard to lower her prices and is doing fairly well. Sugar is now a pound in the shops, but still very scarce. Tea is impossible to buy except on the black market where it is \$7.50 a pound. I got a quarter of a litre (about 1/4 cup) is allowed per day for children under three years. Meals are graded from A to D. An A meal consists of a soup, meat, carrots and cost \$1.50. A "D" meal is 80c. None of the meals is very good. A black market meal costs around \$40.

## Nothing New

Bride Ships Echo Across 250 Years Of Canadian History

Concurrent with reports that liners are being made available to bring soldiers' wives to Canada, the term "bride ships" has been appearing in headlines. Here, in two words, is a definition that echoes across 250 years of Canadian history.

This is not the first time "bride ships" have sailed to the New World from European ports. Back in the 17th century, when the little colony of Quebec was slowly emerging from the woods, ships set out from France bearing hundreds of girls who were to become wives of settlers. "King's girls" they were called, and today Quebec genealogists would have no difficulty tracing the kinship of tens of thousands with them. — Windsor Daily Star.

## Better Food

War-time Standards Will Have To Improve Before Tourists Start Coming

Cooks can make or break the tourist trade in Canada, say the head of the Toronto Convention and Tourist Association at the annual convention of the Canadian Restaurant Association. War-time standards will certainly have to be improved before the tourists start coming in. But a little more individuality and local pride in local dishes might do more to enhance Canada's reputation for good food than an attempt to provide the visitors with just the sort of stereotyped meal they used to get from one restaurant to the next and one roadside stand to another. — Ottawa Citizen.

The moment a camel loses its footing in a stream, it turns on its side and exerts no effort to save itself from drowning.

## NEW MERCHANT NAVY

Will Be Britain's Challenge To World For Sea Supremacy

Frank Swanson, in the Vancouver Province, says Britain's centuries-old shipbuilding industry converted from war to peace-time production is building the greatest fleet of merchant ships ever to be launched by a single nation.

United Kingdom shipyards will turn out during the next few months more ships than at any time during the last 20 years. At this moment, there are 387 merchant vessels in the stocks with a total tonnage of 1,500,000, a figure that does not take into consideration ships of under 100 tons or those being built for the Royal Navy. And by the end of this year, more than 5,000,000 tons of merchant ships alone will be under construction.

This is Britain's challenge to the rest of the world for continued maritime supremacy.

Most of the ships now under construction will go into service next year, but seldom a week passes without a fast cargo liner sliding down the shipways in the Clyde, Tees or Tyne—greatest centres of activity in the mammoth project.

The new merchant navy will consist mainly of modern refrigerated food ships—the vessels that will bring to a still heavily rationed country a starving Europe the essentials of life.

Of the 387 ships now under construction, 377 are for British owners, six for Empire owners, three for Norway (of 17,724 tons each), and one for France. Work is being provided for hundreds of thousands of shipyard workers, one of the key production groups of the country.

Every known improvement in shipbuilding and many wartime discoveries will be incorporated into traditional British craftsmanship in the new cargo carriers. The refrigerated cargo liners, it is claimed, will be the fastest food ships in the world. All will be equipped with the latest in quick-freezing methods designed to bring food cargoes here from all over the world in exactly the same condition in which they left their port of origin.

Shipyards here hold several contracts for vessels for Canadian owners, including six "Beaver" class freighters for the Canadian Pacific Steamships to be used in the Atlantic service.

As the new post-war ships slide down the shipways, they will carry at their masts the Union Jack and the Ensign of the British Merchant Navy, for centuries symbols of sea supremacy. The new fleet will carry on the great traditions of the past with the super-service of the future.

## To Get Attention

Man In Piccadilly's Swank Eating House Told To Tip Liberally

By Rosa Harkness, writing from London in the Toronto Star, says: A few nights ago I had dinner at a fashionable and expensive place on Piccadilly. I got the first course right, after which nobody paid the slightest attention to me. "I was the little man who wasn't there," I couldn't figure it out.

I noticed that each course was served by a different waiter. The man who brought the soup was a soup specialist and the man who wheeled in the roast on a mahogany trolley, carried it in my presence. The diner with the great flourish, was a meat specialist who did nothing but carve.

I noticed that the diners tipped each individual waiter who came and I noticed, too, that sometimes the diner would slip an extra shilling to the carver and get an extra slice of meat while a man at an adjoining table, who tipped only one shilling instead of a shilling, got but half a slice.

And me, who hadn't tipped the soup specialist, I wasn't getting even half a slice. The soup man had whispered my stinginess to the fish man, who related it to the meat man, who passed it on to the dessert man, who told the cheese man, who informed the coffee man and one of them told even the girl who puts the rolls on the table and I became a pariah, an outcast, and hung my head.

Observing my chastened attitude the fish man finally brought the fish and having been taught my lesson, I tipped him substantially, for, after all, I am on an expensive dinner. Immediately the atmosphere changed. The meat man, the dessert man, the cheese man and the coffee man couldn't be so servile to me. I was whipped, they would be magnanimous. Only the soup man who didn't get his tip continued to treat me disdainfully each time he passed.

## BUYING HOUSES IN BRITAIN

More than 1,300,000 people in the United Kingdom are buying houses through building societies. The average amount outstanding on each mortgage held by the society is about £400 (£1,600). Over 5,000 people have savings invested in building societies. Their average holding is about £260.

# National Research Council Report Tells Of Many New Developments By Our Scientists

DEVELOPMENTS in the uses of atomic energy and radar, the design and construction of a plywood tailless aircraft, and the developments in new uses for what high-lighted work of Canadian scientists during 1945, the National Research Council reported. In a preliminary report on work done by it last year, the council told how Canadian scientists had co-operated in the development of the atomic bomb.

Work on the bomb had led to the design of a pilot plant for the production of atomic materials and that plant now was under construction at Chalk River, Ont., 120 miles northwest of Ottawa.

"A branch of the National Research Council will be established there in association with the pilot plant to carry out research on the application of atomic energy in war and in industry and on the use of its products in research and medicine," said the report.

The council said perhaps one of the most interesting projects undertaken was that concerning the tailless aircraft in which test flights will be made shortly.

Wing span of the model designed by the council staff is 47 feet; the maximum weight on test will be approximately 4,000 pounds. It carries a pilot and an observer and dual controls are provided. Primary structure of the glider is entirely of wood, embodying a single laminated spar and a relatively thick moulded plywood skin over conventional ribs.

The aircraft was built so Canada might gain experience with such craft, the subject of which is of interest in other countries, said the report.

Research is continuing in the field of radar and aircraft instruments. It has been a distance indicator which showed the pilot of an aircraft his distance from one or more selected ground points.

Aeronautical facilities at council laboratories now could be used for civilian aircraft purposes, said the report. The report added:

"No designer would today undertake the building of a new type of airplane without first checking its performance through wind tunnel tests."

"The council has three wind tunnels—two horizontal and one vertical—forces acting on aircraft (pitch, roll and yaw), and a vertical tunnel in which problems associated with dangerous spins can be safely and inexpensively solved."

"The giant strides made by modern aircraft in terms of power and performance have, in its structure sense, placed new emphasis not only on the elastic and dynamic properties of any given airframe, but also on the strength it might exhibit. Thus, the council's structures laboratory has been equipped to conduct tests and experiments relative to this important phase of aeronautics."

In the field of applied chemical research, the council found a "very effective" method of treating aircraft windows to prevent blurring of the pilot's window during a rainstorm. The slower speed of motor cars renders the method inapplicable in its present form, but development work is being continued.

In the field of allied biology, a process for the production of anti-freeze from wheat was advanced to the pilot plant stage. The butanediol produced from the wheat could be used as the basis for the production of a long line of other chemical products whose combined value would exceed the value of wheat.

Methods of preserving food during shipment overseas were developed. The oiling of shell eggs was found to be successful in keeping them fresh during trips to the United Kingdom.

The report said efforts are being made to find suitable methods of heating houses in Canada.

"Staff employed with this project are engaged in developing a new method of heating houses by floor or ceiling radiant heat, and are endeavoring to ascertain the effect of window ventilation in severe weather if floors are heated," said the report.

Much of the work undertaken for the services at war measure would be continued in peacetime, but with industrial and commercial applications to civilian rather than military requirements.

"Research activities must be maintained on a steadily increasing scale if Canada is to go forward and hold the place she has gained during the war as an industrial nation," said the report.

Research staff of the highest calibre are required, for first class work cannot be done by second rate personnel.

"To retain trained scientific personnel in Canada, conditions of employment must compare favorably with those to be obtained elsewhere. Competition from the United States for Canadian scientists is an ever-present incentive to advancement, and must be recognized by those who would avail themselves of the services which can be rendered by skilled research workers trained in Canadian institutions."—Ottawa Citizen.

The metal lithium is so soft that it can be cut with an ordinary pocket knife.

## Battle For Peace

L.O.D.E. Sending Comforts For The

Starving People Of Europe

Mrs. Ryland H. New, National President of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire announces the Post War Service Programme of the I.O.D.E. which will function from January 16, 1946, and that during this period of transition from war to peace the normal peacetime programme of the Order will still be maintained.

The name of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire is well known in Britain and by the Polish people, a bond of sympathy having been created during the years of war which should be a substantial factor in the peace to come.

The I.O.D.E. Post War Service Programme will provide:

British and European Civilian Relief, including direct Polish Relief, Work for Seamen: (a) adoption of the Seamen's Comforts. Hospitality: (a) for convalescent Service men and women; (b) continued work in hostels, canteens, clubs and Service Centres as long as the need exists.

Europe is in ruins, Britain hard-pressed and suffering from greater privation than at any time during the war. Canada and the rest of the North American continent is the only source from which help can come to the desperate people of Europe. General Eisenhower said that if America did not help Europe now these people will wonder why they have helped to overthrow the German Government.

The situation of most people in Europe is beyond imagination. Thousands are now dying of cold and hunger. Their clothing and bedding are rags and their homes but ruins around them. It is estimated that even with the help now on its way and which can reach them soon, millions may die of cold and starvation.

The women of Britain have been sending what they could and are knitting and sewing to help save lives. In the face of these conditions who have plenty cannot go home to normal living but must help share the burden in the Battle for Peace.

Industries in Europe have been wiped out, millions of innocent victims left in the wake of the war, the country with no place to call "home", or are living in Concentration Camps with the future a grim uncertainty. The thought that the people of Britain have been working for them will give them faith in what they fought for and hope that the right sort of order will come out of the chaos.

The peace following the war of 1914-18 failed, let us do our part to see that the peace now in the making does not fail for the sake of anything we women of Canada can do.

The I.O.D.E. Post War Service Programme is designed to point the way to directing our labour and resources on behalf of those so desperately in want. With the help of supplies in ready-made clothing, it is the sewing and knitting of our members which is the greatest need of today.

So, on behalf of all those who died or lost their youth and their health to win the fight against tyranny, our members are asked to begin on a new post-war programme of work. We cannot rest for we must keep faith with those who won the war and this can only be done by helping those made destitute through no fault of their own. If the suffering people of Europe are deserted now the peace will not last, but if we show them that we care, by sending them comforts, we will help restore their morale and confidence in the mankind and in the eventual triumph of the message of "Peace on Earth, Goodwill to men."

## Important Product

Cotton Mentioned In Indian Books

Written Before 800 B.C.

Of all products of a sub-tropical climate, cotton is commercially the most important, and dates back to the earliest times of which there is any record. The first mention of it is found in Indian books written more than 800 years before the Christian era. The first European writer who is known to have mentioned it is Herodotus who wrote in the 5th century B.C. He spoke of a tree which he knew by name as growing in India, and bearing, instead of fruit, a wool like that of a sheep.

A newspaper in Malaysia has been publishing a serial version of the "Arabian Nights" for more than 10 years.



STOWAWAY, MATE REUNITED

—James Morgan, discharged G.I., hugs his 18-year-old English bride at Baltimore where she was landed from a British freighter on which she stowed away and was not discovered until the vessel was six days out.

## Canada Grows

Shows Increase Of 613,000 Since Last Census

The population of Canada is now said to be by the best and most authoritative source of information, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 12,119,000, an increase of 613,000 since the last census in 1941.

Before this writer there is a book opened at a page where important statistics of leading countries of the world are given. These figures are 20 years old at least, relatively they tell the same story.

Canada has an area of 3,684,723 square miles. Australia has about two-thirds of that, and we have double the Australian population. But look at India. With half the area of Canada, that empire holds 315,842,480 souls, probably more, since that figure was arrived at years ago. Take Belgium as a crowded country in Europe. It has 11,752 square miles for a population of 7,478,254. People. China is larger than Canada by a hundred thousand square miles but packs in well over 300 million people. Great Britain with 46 million has 94,008 square miles of breathing space. And for some centuries, that space has been the most important in all the world.

It may be super-optimism to say that Canada could support 100 million people. It will not be far better if we had half, or a third, of that number, with a high standard of living, the highest in the civilized world, the best educated people, a nation to give world leadership, as Britain has done for so long.—St. Catharines Standard.

Queen Victoria's reign was by four years—the longest and her life by three days the longest in British history.



LITTLE DUTCH CHILDREN and almost 5,000 Dutch wives of Canadian servicemen are packing their bags in Holland to come to Canada. Under the direction of Lieut. George R. Ferry, of Niagara Falls, Ont., machinery for their repatriation is now in operation in The Hague. The Canadians made friends with the Dutch and will welcome them. Plans of servicemen are included in the repatriation program, but must pay their own expenses. Similar arrangements are made for Belgian and French dependents.

## Latest Convenience

But Telephones In Cars Might Sometimes Be A Nuisance

Like almost every other scientific device the telephone made advances during the war, the most interesting innovation being the "walkie talkie", which was a portable telephone carried by men on patrol and other duties which enabled them to keep touch with the rear, and between themselves. The Bell Telephone Company now comes out with telephones in automobiles, which is perhaps the logical corollary of the car radio.

Equipment to furnish this type of telephone is being established between Chicago and St. Louis, New York and Buffalo, and New York and Boston. Not only automobiles can be fitted with the equipment, but boats on the adjacent waterways. If a caller in Chicago wants to talk to someone he knows is in an automobile somewhere between there and St. Louis he first calls "long distance", asks for the mobile service operator and gives the licence number of the car. She will then route the call over the telephone wires to one of the transmitting-receiving stations along the highway, and send the signal to the vehicle by radio. The occupant of the car will receive both an audible and visual signal indicating that he is wanted. He will simply pick up the receiver and begin the conversation. For a person in a car wishing to talk to the office the process is even simpler. This marks another interesting development in telephone service. It will be a great convenience to businessmen, but for the tired executive or salesman who is going on a vacation, his holiday is not going to do much good if he can't let business alone for a while.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## New Type Of Loom

Developed By United Kingdom Firm

It Has No Shuttle

A new loom which has no shuttle but which lays the weft across the warp by a carrier moved to and fro by a special spring device has been developed by a United Kingdom firm. The head of the firm believes that the loom may lead to a revival of home weaving because it can be installed in a spare room, can produce a wide variety of fabrics and is without the clutter made by the ordinary loom. It is claimed that one skilled operative and an assistant could "mind" 24 of these looms without difficulty.

## ALFALFA SEED IN 1946

Supplies of alfalfa seed in Canada from the production in 1945 are little more than required for Canadian use. The limited quantity available for export will be far short of filling expor requirements. Because of the exceptionally high demand for this seed in the United States and most Northern European countries there is no danger of over-production in Canada in 1946. The prospects of a strong export market for some time to come are bright, according to the Seeds Administrator.

The word platinum comes from platinum, the Spanish word for silver.

# The Farmer In Japan Has Many Difficulties To Meet In Order To Make A Living

FROM the points of view of the surface of the land, climate, and soil, Japan may be classified as one of the poorer agricultural countries. About 75 per cent. of the country is hilly and mountainous, the slopes of which are usually too steep or too thin for ordinary cultivation. Because the mountain regions occupy the central and greater part of the country, there are no extensive plains as are found in continental countries. The typical plains of Japan are mainly narrow, coastal lowlands.

With regards to climate there is enough rain on the whole to meet the needs of Japanese agriculture, but the soils do not possess a high degree of natural fertility. In fact, the greater part appears to be infertile. Nearly all the soils are deficient in nitrogen, and only by very careful use of the manure of each particular soil situation can large production be obtained. Nevertheless large crops are grown. With many people on little farms the fields of Japan are cultivated intensively. They are treated more carefully than many a garden in other parts of the world. Although handicapped with poor soils in many districts, the farmers by intensive application of labour and abundant application of fertilizers achieve crops far above each year on a large part of the land.

The fact that recently 5,492,000 farm families cultivated 14,896,000 acres indicates that the size of the farm unit is small, averaging 2.7 acres. The low standard of living of the vast majority of farmers explains in part at least why the country's small cultivated acreage can support such a large number of people engaged in farming.

A government survey of farm income from all sources from 1913 to 1934 revealed that, with the exception of 1913, agricultural income each year fell short of meeting household expenditure and forced farmers to depend upon non-agricultural income to make up the deficit. The income from other sources ranged from 28 to 31 per cent. of the total income. In 1936 expenditures on the part of farmer owners averaged 841 yen, or 2.30 yen per day (a yen equals 29 cents). As these households averaged three adult-bodied adults, the actual household expenditure is less than one yen per person per day. It is only through such small expenditures that the meager farm incomes permit the majority of Japanese farmers to engage in farming.

## Secretly Developed

English Swimming Pool Used For Experimenting On Naval Weapons

In the swimming pool of a country mansion in the south of England a group of scientists, engineers and technicians have experimented with some of the most devastating underwater naval weapons of this war. The explosive charges with which British depth submarines attacked and severely damaged the Tirpitz, the depth charges of the R.A.F. Coastal Command and the special mines that breached the Dortmund-Ems Canal were among the weapons secretly developed there by the Admiralty's Mine Design Department, says "Britain".

## RECIPES

### WINTER TIME IS CHOWDER TIME

Nothing tastes quite so good for a cold frosty evening as a steaming hot bowl of soup or chowder. Soup may be made from a variety of ingredients. The modern housewife could well adopt the soup pot custom of grandmother's day, when bones and trimmings from meat were carefully saved and simmered in succulent vegetable juices to become the basis for at least two meals during the week. Variety was furnished by varying the selection of vegetables used in the soup. Chowders usually start with salt pork which is diced and fried until crisp and brown. Onions are cooked in the fat then combined with other vegetables and milk and allowed to simmer. This is a vegetable chowder. The crisp fried pork may be combined with toasted oven-popped rice cereal which is served with the chowder. The well-known fish chowder starts the same way and is very similar in preparation. The flaked cooked fish is added when the chowder is nearly done. Here is a recipe which will win cold weather favor.

- FISH CHOWDER**
- 1/2 pound diced salt pork
  - 4 tablespoons finely chopped onions
  - 3 tablespoons flour
  - 1 cup butter drained from vegetables
  - 3 cups milk
  - 2 teaspoons salt
  - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
  - 1/2 cup cooked diced potatoes
  - 1 cup cooked diced carrots and peas
  - 1/2 pound flaked cooked fish
- Cook salt pork in frying pan until brown and crisp. Lift from fat and drain. Four four tablespoons of fat and onion into soup kettle and cook until tender. Add flour; stir to smooth paste. Add liquid ingredients; cook until thickened. Add seasonings, vegetables and flaked fish. Cook about 15 minutes. Serve in warmed bowls. Brown rice cereal in one tablespoon of the salt pork fat. Drain well; combine with crisp salt pork cubes. Serve with chowder.

## AUTOMAT BUFFER CARS

The Great Western Railway plans to introduce automat buffet cars, believed to be the first of their kind in the world, it was announced London. Passengers who insert sixpences or shillings in slots will obtain sandwiches, ice cream, soft drinks, stumps and other supplies.

## Lasting Beauty



7087

by Alice Brooks

This handsome peacock embroidery will be the cause of endless admiration, do it on your plain bedspread or new ones—so colorful! Embroidery like this turns linens into heirloom pieces! Pattern 7087 has transfer of a 14 x 17 and two 8 x 6 1/2-inch motifs; stitches. To obtain this pattern send twenty cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 1716 McDermott Avenue E., Winnipeg, Man. Be sure to write plainly your Name, Address and Pattern Number.

Weather conditions are recorded by movements of birds, animals, and insects as faithfully as by the modern scientific instruments.





WORLD HAPPENINGS  
BRIEFLY TOLD

Nearly 40,000 ships were piloted in the River Clyde, Scotland, in 1914, with a gross tonnage of about 120,000,000.

Of 40,160 South African ex-servicemen who have applied for assistance, 4,563 want to be full-time university students.

B.C. poultry flocks average 666 birds, and most of them range from 100 to 1,500 birds, according to a survey.

The United States Navy said that atomic bomb tests against warships would be conducted some time this year, but not before spring.

Canadian fishermen who served as volunteers in Britain during the war were thanked by Herbert Morrison, deputy prime minister of Britain.

Butter production in Australia during 1914-15 was valued at \$1,000,000, estimated at less than 32,000 tons, or the lowest for over 20 years.

The first raw silk shipment to come to North America from the Orient since outbreak of the Pacific war arrived at San Francisco aboard the freighter President Grant.

Queen Mary has presented the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children with nine scrapbooks of pictures and photographs commemorating events in the lives of the royal family.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported its official cost-of-living index, calculated on the basis that 1913-19 equals 100, advanced to 119.59 at Nov. 1 to 120.1 at Dec. 1, bringing the increase since September, 1938, to 12.1 per cent.

## Health LEAGUE OF CANADA presents TOPICS OF VITAL INTEREST

## INQUESTS ASKED IN DIPHTHERIA DEATHS

Recent statement of Maj.-Gen. Brock Chisholm, Deputy Minister of National Health, that any danger from diphtheria is "from ignorance and superstition which prevents parents from giving children the protection of toxoid treatment," has drawn support from prominent officials of the Health League of Canada.

Dr. Nelles Silverthorne, chairman of the League's National Immunization Committee, said the truth of Gen. Chisholm's statement was borne out by the fact that of the seven children who died during the current diphtheria outbreak in Ottawa, not one had been immunized.

"This tragic evidence alone proves the value of toxoid," Dr. Silverthorne said. "It is beyond comprehension why parents neglect to have their children given harmless toxoid protection when such protection is so easily obtainable in Canada today."

"It is too bad that it takes an epidemic to make people realize the truth," he said in commenting on the fact that attendance at Ottawa's clinics for toxoid injections has increased more than 300 per cent, since the outbreak's start.

Dr. Gordon Bates, General Director of the League, said he agrees with Gen. Chisholm that vigorous action is necessary.

"I trust that the 'Health Week'—February 3rd to 9th—will do much to draw to the attention of all Canadians the fact that much disease is needless—preventable. For instance, universal use of toxoid will wipe out diphtheria. National Immunization Week last fall called attention to the known facts, but still there are thousands of parents who have been too indifferent to act."

"If parents, knowing the facts, are still too indifferent and careless to protect their children by having them toxoided, the time may come when such parents may be held responsible."

"I suggest a corner's inquest in the case of diphtheria deaths might serve to awaken the public conscience."

Dr. Bates remarked that Health Minister Joe R. Anderson of Cuba recently ordered that protection against diphtheria for all children under eight years of age be made compulsory.

"Apparently that is what we need in this country," he said.

**STILL CONTRIBUTING**

Conscientious objectors are continuing to make contributions to the Red Cross from their earnings and will continue to do so until the majority of Canada's overseas forces have returned, Arthur MacNamara, Deputy Minister of Labor, said. Some 8,000 of Canada's 8,200 objectors are engaged in farm work and from their earnings more than \$1,000,000 has been contributed to the Red Cross.

Nearly a billion people live on the lands of southeastern Asia, in about seven or eight per cent. of the earth's land area.

## Seamen's Comforts

Daughters Of The Empire Have Performed A Wonderful Service For Crews Of Ships

During the war years, the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire provided comforts and amenities to British, Canadian and Allied Seamen valued at nearly one million dollars according to Mrs. H. S. Angus, National War Service Convener. This assistance has been given in various ways: Thousands of games and puzzles, millions of magazines, over a million new and donated books have been provided.

Order for seamen in hostels, hospitals, the naval libraries and ships. It is of interest to note that not only have books in English and French been given but, to meet requests of Dutch, Polish, Norwegian and Greek seamen who put into Canadian ports, books in their own language, appeals were made by the Order in the United States and Canada for these books which were received and placed on the ships.

At the request of the Department of Naval Services, I.O.D.E. Chapters "adopted" a total of 849 ships and provided thousands of dollars worth of amenities and extras for the crews of these adopted ships. An extract of a letter received from a man on one of our corvettes reads: "Everything we have ever had given to us or done for us seems to be connected with the I.O.D.E. in some way or other."

I.O.D.E. members have also rendered help to shipwrecked seamen's hostels in Canada and abroad, and in past ten years have supplied large numbers of ditty bags which were distributed by the Navy League of Canada.

In addition, comforts have been provided in both Canadian and British ports, the I.O.D.E. operating distributing depots at Saint John, N.B. and Sydney, N.S., and according to the Special Services Officer of the Royal Canadian Navy, the I.O.D.E. was the chief source of supply of knitted comforts for seamen distributed by Naval Distributing Centres at Halifax and other Canadian ports.

Since the beginning of the war a constant flow of comforts has been sent for sailors of the Navy and seamen of the Merchant Navy in Britain. The organizations receiving I.O.D.E. comforts for distribution were the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, the British Sailors' Society, and the Depot for Knitted Garments for the Royal Navy. Although the latter depot has been closed recently, shipments of seamen's comforts are still being sent to the Royal National Mission and to the British Sailors' Society, both organizations which aid seamen in peace as well as in war, one of them having been in operation for over 100 years.

Owing to the extreme shortage of clothing in Britain, it has been, and still is, very difficult for relatives and friends to provide the necessary comforts without continued help from Canada. This help, the I.O.D.E. members have been more than happy to give in the past and will continue to give as long as it is needed.

## GEMS OF THOUGHT

## ELEMENTS OF HAPPINESS

Happiness is the legitimate fruitage of love and service. Arthur S. Hardy.

Seek happiness for its own sake, and you will not find it; seek for duty, and happiness will follow as the shadow comes with the sunshine.—Tyron Edwards.

If the principles of contentment are not within us, the height of station and worldly grandeur will be soon add a curb to a man's stature as to his happiness.—Sterne.

Pure humanity, friendship, home, the interchange of love, bring to earth a forestale of heaven. They unite terrestrial and celestial joys, and crown them with blessings infinite.—Mary Baker Eddy.

There is little pleasure in the world that is sincere and true beside that of doing our duty and doing good. No other is comparable to this.—Tulioian.

An act of goodness is of itself an act of happiness. No reward coming after the event can compare with the sweet reward that went with it.—Maurice Maeterlinck.

## German Steel

## Germany To Be Allowed To Produce 7,500,000 A Year

Germany is to be allowed a maximum steel production capacity of 7,500,000 tons a year but her actual output must not exceed 5,500,000 tons without specific approval, the Allied Control Council decided. The steel plants to be left to Germany shall be the older ones so far as practicable, it was agreed. Germany's steel production in 1919 was 11,000,000 tons, which had doubled by 1938 under the Nazi government.

## CAN ALWAYS SNOW

Contrary to popular belief, it is never too cold to snow. Sub-zero temperature, however, seldom holds enough moisture for the snow to fall in flakes. Then the fall is fine and dust-like.



Gripsholm Model Was Their Wedding Present

**ALTAR BOUND, MELT RED TAPE**—"It can't be done," everyone said. So Pte. Francis Joseph Yancus of Guelph, Ont., did it. Honorably discharged from the R.C.A.M. in September, he returned to Italy as a civilian, married the daughter of an Italian count, and returned in time to spend Christmas at Guelph—with his bride! Official half-way around the world are still gathering bits of red tape, thrown to the four winds by the determined couple. "Frank" met his bride-to-be, Lina Ragusa, while serving with an army hospital unit in Italy. He proposed marriage, was accepted. Col. F. B. Bowman, of Hamilton, Ont., his commanding officer, absolutely forbade the marriage. A determined young man, Frank wrote to Ottawa—over the colonel's head. In April, 1940—8 years later—permission to wed the Italian miss arrived. Frank had been sent to England four days before, was sent back to Canada and honorably discharged. On September 15 he managed to wangle a permit to leave Canada, persuaded a high official in Washington to aid him get passage, and when the Gripsholm left New York Oct. 16, Frank was aboard. Bishop Pietro Gagnor personally officiated in Caserta cathedral. Among the guests were 700 townspeople, all of whom had firmly believed Lina would never see her Canadian fiance again.

## Played Major Part

## A Long-Distance Detection Device Helped Win Battle Of Atlantic

The United States Navy disclosed the wartime secret of "Huff Duff", an electronic long-distance device which played a major part in winning the battle of the Atlantic.

Technically called high frequency direction finder (the initials HF-DF rapidly became "Huff Duff" in service slang) the electrical "finger" can spot a ship or plane half-way around the world. It was used as a team mate of radar and sound devices which spot objectives at a much shorter distance.

The navy told how the device on board ships, planes and in a network of shore stations succeeded in breaking up U-boat wolf packs before they could assemble and how at least one of the submarines which landed saboteurs on the Long Island and Florida coasts in 1942 was located and sunk before it could escape.

## Veteran Repair Squad

## Members Of London Club Repaired Building After Three Raids

When a hall was severely damaged by enemy action, Priory Park Philosophers, a Honorary Social Club, whose ages ranged from 62 to 80, carried out their own repairs, reports the Evening News, London.

When they finished the job, the building was wrecked a second time, but they took even this philosophically and put the place in order again. A rocket finally did more damage than the other two bombs put together and the work of repairing the building has taken considerably longer.

The veteran repair squad has now completed its self-appointed task for the third time and are planning a victory celebration in the renovated building. "We have had to repair the roof, the walls, the fittings and the furniture, to say nothing of replacing the windows," said Councillor A. J. Blake, the 74-year-old secretary.



LUNCHBOX LYRICS—There'll be treats galore in the lunchboxes this

Winter if you base all your surprises on Bran Nut Bread. This delicious easy-to-make bread can be varied to suit your tastes—fold in any of the dried fruits, or orange juice. And occasionally, vary the shape by making muffins instead of a loaf. Here's an idea for dressing Bran Nut Bread in party fashion: make the basic recipe, then fold in gumdrops in place of fruit!

**Bran Nut Bread**

1 egg  
1 cup sugar  
1 cup milk  
2 tablespoons melted shortening  
1 cup chopped nuts

Beat egg and sugar until light. Add milk, shortening and bran. Sift flour with salt and baking powder; combine with nuts; add to first mixture, stirring only until flour disappears. Spread in greased loaf pan, with waxed paper in the bottom. Bake in moderate oven (350 deg. F.) about 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Yield: 1 loaf (4 1/2 x 9 1/2-inch pan).

**Variations of Basic Recipe**

1. Use 1/2 cup nuts and add 1 cup seedless raisins.  
2. Use 1/2 cup nuts and add 1 cup chopped dried figs.  
3. Substitute 1/2 cup orange juice and 1/2 cup water for the 1 cup milk.  
4. Add 1 tablespoon grated orange rind.

Note: Recipe may be omitted in first three variations if desired.

## REG'LAR FELLERS—Interior Decoration



## A Coveted Honor

## British Order Of Merit Is Given To Few People

One of Britain's most coveted honors, the Order of Merit is conferred for outstanding achievement. No more than 24 persons may be long to the order at one time. At present only 30 persons may add the initials O.M. to their name, among them General Eisenhower. When Britain's press announced a few weeks ago that King George VI had bestowed the Order of Merit on Professor A. N. Whitehead, eminent mathematician, physicist, philosopher and lecturer at Cambridge University, England and Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., the man in the street was more impressed than if the Professor had been made a lord.

The Order of Merit is unlike any other honor which may be conferred on a British citizen. For one thing, it carries no title and confers no precedence; its possessor has no extra privileges whatever. Instituted in 1902 by King Edward VII, the Order is presented to such persons "as may have rendered exceptionally meritorious service in the Crown Services of our Empire or have rendered exceptionally meritorious services towards the advancement of the Arts, Learning, Literature and Science."

In fact to receive it a person must have given such service to Britain in one or more of these spheres that no other honor meets his case.

## LOSS HEAVIEST

The greatest recorded loss of life by shipwreck was in the sinking of the French cruiser Provence, Feb. 28, 1916, in the Mediterranean. Of the 4,000 aboard, only 870 were saved.

Birds of prey usually wear "pantaloons". These feathered pants confuse the prey at which the bird is striking with its feet.

## An Interesting Find

## Soviet German Helmet Concealed Note That Could Be Rommel's

Three-year-old Bruce Perloff, Philadelphia, toying with the German helmet he'd been given as a souvenir, pulled off a strap and uncovered a secret message possibly despatched by the late commander of the German Africa Corps, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel.

"Look, Mommy," Bruce told his 20-year-old mother, Edith. She saw a three-by-five scrap of tattered paper marked "Important Dispatch."

On one side of the paper she found the words partly illegible because of wear and tear: Joseph Seldurf, commanding officer, 551st Tank Reserve, Afrika Corps, and then in German: "Nicht offenden," which in English means "Do not open."

Under these words was drawn a crude swastika.

On the other side, it said in English: "Repel British counter-attack at . . ." But there the paper was torn. Under the tear the words "El Alamein" appear.

In one place the paper says "if retreat is necessary, the next defence line is at . . ." And again the paper is worn through.

At the bottom of the page, two initials, E. R., are marked in heavily and beside them is a swastika.

## APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP

The Soviet consulate in Shanghai reveals that 200 exiled Russians have applied for reinstatement of their Russian citizenship. A despatch from Harbin says that Russian exiles in Manchuria have filed 7,000 similar applications.

Prime Minister Attlee has warned Londoners that the winter will be "by no means easy." He holds out no hope for improvement in the short-age of food.

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



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ANSWER: Baltic Sea.

## LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"I've been drinking my bottle, doing no crying and going to sleep right on schedule and see what happened!"

BY GENE BYRNES





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## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

## RED PAINT

By KATHLEEN GILCHRIST

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THE blazing sun shocked the air into rippling waves of heat that shimmered over the inert forms of horses and cattle, and emphasized the starkness of Ed Higgins' bare, unpainted barn, rising in ugly contrast behind the neat little bungalow, with its bright green paint and white trimmings, that his wife called "home".

From behind her apologetically curtained kitchen window Marty Higgins gazed outside. Her thin face looked drawn, but her cotton dress was as fresh as her polished kitchen. She shook her head at the memory of Doc's parting words that morning.

"I've done all I can, Marty," he'd said. "If Ed won't fight for himself—"

"I can't understand his giving in so easy." There was more disappointment than sorrow in Marty's voice. "Stubborn old fool, he gave me enough trouble any time I wanted him to do anything, goodness knows, and now to let pneumonia down him without a fight!"

The brown circle beside her raised questioning eyes. He cocked one ear expectantly toward the bedroom door behind which Ed lay, his sunken cheeks under their unkempt whiskers mute evidence of the rav-

ages of the first serious illness of his robust life. How unlike the gaiety of their courtship days! "Twenty years, Rusty, and now when he's needed most he quits," Marty gazed past the ugly structures of naked wood to the rising wheat-covered vastness of the prairie beyond. The sun was beginning to turn its greenness into the golden ripeness of harvest, and this year every man would be needed, for the war had robbed the prairie of too many of her sons.

RUSTY wagged his tail in slow agreement. It was seven years since he'd come, a furry little pup, to live with Marty and Ed, and this was the first time in the battle that had started twenty years ago, when first Marty had stated her plans for a home.

"Painted buildings on a prairie farm! What's the matter with 'em the way they are?" Ed had scoffed. "You don't hear my cattle complain! and wantin' new barns with paint on 'em, do you, and they seem to manage alright."

"But I'm not one of your cattle, Ed, and I want a decent home with paint on it, even if they don't," Marty had replied with aggravating sweetness. "If you want to live with them, go ahead, but I'm having my home the way I want it."

Ed had evidently preferred Marty's company, and she proudly flaunted her new bungalow in its bright coat of green as evidence of her victory in the first round of the battle, but the second round was not so easy.

"Just naturally caring, if I didn't want you to paint these, you would. You'd think that we were paupers instead of successful farmers," Marty often repeated in exasperation as one unpainted structure after another was raised to house Ed's increasing stock of cattle. "Twenty years!" Marty repeated and shook her head. Listlessly she began to prepare a tray for Ed's supper. He'd passed the crisis days ago, but the strength was gradually ebbing away. Ed's wasted frame grew thinner and he answered her pleas to eat and try to help himself with listless eyes that sank deeper into the hollow cheeks.

The dog watched Marty carry the tray into the bedroom, to return a few minutes later with its contents scarcely touched.

"Rusty, if I only could rouse him somehow! I've pleaded with him, called him a quitter, tried to impress him with the need of the crops we'll harvest this year—the damned old fool's just going to die out of sheer stubbornness."

THE sun was sinking in a blaze of golden glory when she returned to the window, finding even the bare wood of Ed's barn with a pearly beauty.

"Wonder what Ed would say if we painted them pink, Rusty?" The twinkle shining through the weariness in Marty's eyes suddenly sparked. Marty crossed to the bedroom door with determined steps.

"How're you feeling, Ed?" There was a challenging note but Ed, listless on the pillow, did not notice it.

"A'right, I guess," he mumbled. "Marty sat down on the chair by his bed. "Ed," she said, "I've decided that since you're so set on dying, I may as well begin managing the farm my way now as later."

"Ed?"

"Yes, Ed, and the first thing I'm going to do is paint these barns. I've stood them for twenty years for your sake, but if I've to carry on alone I'm going to do it my way."

"Ed?" Rusty sat up.

"Yes," Marty continued. "I hear that Barnes Hardware in town has a special on paint, so I've made

out an order. They've got that nice bright red like the Smiths'."

"Over my dead body!" Marty smiled a little at the near-possibility of that picture. "Whatever gave you the idea that I'd leave you to run the place to suit yourself? Red paint, on my barns—?" Ed lay back, his sunken eyes flashing.

MARTY retreated to the kitchen. There was a sudden brightness in her eyes. Rusty stopped a moment to lick the pale face of his invalid master before following. Ed's voice, rising in angry protest against the added indignity, convinced him that life was again assuming its normal proportions.

"Red paint—dirt you, dog! Marty bring me an egg-nog or something. Red paint! Time I got up to see that them barns are painted a respectable color—hurry up, I'm hungry—Red paint, trust you'll!"

"Red paint!" Marty echoed thankfully. "Rusty, looks like we've won a double-header this time. Hold your horses, I'm coming!"

## SMILE AWHILE

The old lady kept to her seat determinedly as the slowly moving congregation passed down the aisle to the church door.

"If everybody else would only do as I do, and stay quietly in their seats until everyone has left," she murmured, "there wouldn't be such a crush at the doors."

"Well, sir, what's the trouble?" asked the doctor of the patient who had called for him urgently. "That's for you to find out," the patient answered grumpily.

"In that case I'll call in a friend of mine. He's a vet," answered the doctor. "He's the only man I know who can make a diagnosis without asking questions."

"Teacher said this morning, mummy. Hands up, all those children who had an egg for breakfast."

"So I put my hand up because I was going to have one for tea."

Mrs. Newwood: "Henry, I thought you told me that your bank loaned money on notes."

Mrs. Newwood: "So it does, dear. Why?"

Mrs. Newwood: "Well, it doesn't. I sent the maid down there with a note telling them I wanted to borrow \$100 and they wouldn't give it to her."

Old Brown (lecturing his granddaughter): "I never see a blush on a girl's face now. In my day it was very different."

Flapper: "Why, Grandad, what did you say to them?"

Husband—"Darling, I believe that I am failing."

Wife: (in alarm)—"Gracious! How often have I warned you, George, against your foolish speculations."

"Husband—"I don't mean in business, dear. I mean I'm failing in health."

Wife (relieved)—"Oh, is that all?"

"Pop, if I saved you a dollar, would you give me 50 cents of it?"

"Yes, I guess so, son."

"Well, I saved it for you. You told me you would give me a dollar if I passed in arithmetic, and I didn't pass."

## All-Purpose Frock



By ANNE ADAMS

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## Price Control And Rationing Information

Q.—When I was discharged from the services I did not make use of my priority suit purchase certificate. The month has now elapsed and I would like to know if I am still eligible for this priority suit.

A.—Branches and Local Ration Boards of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board have authority to extend the validity period of priority suit purchase certificates, if they are satisfied the applicants have been unable to use them within the month allowed.

Q.—Why are the sugar and preserves ration coupons being combined in 1947?

A.—To simplify our rationing system and to reduce the number of coupons required for 1946 purchases of sugar and preserves and thus to extend the life of ration book 5.

Q.—My son is in the American Forces. Will he be given a priority suit purchase certificate when he returns from the United States to take up residence in Canada?

A.—Priority suit purchase certificates will be issued to Canadians who have been discharged from the American Forces and who are returning to reside in Canada, provided that the applicants are able to establish that they are Canadian citizens discharged from the American Army since May 1, 1945, and that they produce their discharge certificate to have a notation placed thereon that a suit priority certificate has been issued.

Q.—Is unswartened canned fruit on the ration list?

A.—Yes, unswartened canned fruit is rationed because it is in very short supply and is required by certain individuals who are invalids and could not be sure of obtaining supplies if it were unrationed.

Please send your questions or your request for the pamphlet "Consumers' News" or the Blue Book in which you keep track of your ceiling prices, mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

## History Of Vancouver

Sixty Years Ago It Was A Scattered

collection of shacks. Just sixty years ago Vancouver was a small, scattered collection of shacks in the forest on the shore of Burrard Inlet. On January 5, 1886, a group of residents of the village, then known as Granville, appointed a committee to seek incorporation of the settlement as a city.

On January 15, 125 villagers signed their names to a petition for a city charter, on April 2 the charter was granted by the provincial Legislature, and on April 6 the Lieutenant Governor gave his assent to the measure and the City of Vancouver was born.

Two months later, on June 15 the entire settlement was wiped out by fire.—Vancouver-News Herald.

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## Railroad Safety

Number Of Wrecks In Central States

In Cases Of Concern The number of railroad wrecks (in the U.S.) brings rail safety to the fore as a subject of public concern.

The causes have been various. Back of all of them, no doubt, is the strain imposed on old equipment and insufficient manpower by military demobilization, plus a big load of domestic freight and civilian travel.

But those conditions are not an excuse for a breakdown in safety. They merely impose an obligation to take extra care.

If the railroads would make use of known methods of communication and signaling, there ought never to be another collision. It is possible to communicate by radio both ways between trains and dispatchers, or from train to train.

Moreover, there is such a thing in the world as radar. If such a device can penetrate the clouds to locate a hostile airplane or a ground target, it must be possible to use it to show an engineer whether there's another train on the track ahead of him.—Chicago Daily News.

## WANTS EAGLE FEATHERS

Canada's west is still wild and woolly—at least one resident of Albuquerque, New Mexico, thinks so. Bernice Unland of Albuquerque has requested the Winnipeg Board of Trade to send her eagle feathers, animal claws and teeth of "various wild animals." The Board is sorry it will be unable to do so. They reviewed the situation and discovered there are few, if any, eagles in Western Canada. There also seems to be a dearth of wild animal teeth.

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## Never Too Late

English Farm Worker At 83 Has Learned To Read

All his long life John Mullinger, of Spalding, Lincolnshire, had got along without being able to read. As a farm worker at Holbeach, Bank, near Spalding—he started work when he was nine—John did not have much time for books or papers.

But when the war started and the raids made it quite a personal affair for old John, he decided he'd better learn to read so that he could keep abreast of the things.

Now, at 83, John has learned to read—and he devours all newspapers.

Milkweed floss helped win the war. It was used to give buoyancy to naval life preservers.

## ROEG'S GALLERY

**1. Mr. Roeg—as he looks to the waiter.** "What's this old fellow doing here?" (At first glance you wouldn't say that Mr. Roeg is a particularly prize specimen!)

**2. Mr. Roeg, as he looks to the office force.** ("What's this old fellow doing here?" "Jump as a trout!")

**3. Mr. Roeg, as he looks to the doctor.** ("Gotta slow down." "Well, well!" he says to his wife. "The glad that Doc put me on Postum. It's a grand-tasting, healthy drink, with a fine flavor all its own.")

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Nearly every article of food consumed by us in a day receives treatment of one kind or another for our protection. It is inspected before preparation for market and meat approved by the Inspector of the Dominion of Canada are no exception.

The Meat and Canned Foods Act of 1927 lays out certain conditions,

under which food shall be marketed and states for what diseases the carcasses of an animal will be condemned and converted to lard.

Among the duties of inspectors under the Act are reports to be made to the Veterinary General, reports on all foods, meats included held in coolers, freezers and to issue reports on any disease over a year.

Any animal showing any signs of disease are reported immediately.

Sanitary regulations require proper cleaning of tools used in cutting and proper temperatures for storage and cleanliness of rooms and yards.

It is in your own interests to buy and ask for Canada approved meat. Local the act and sell only approved products dealers in meats in Olds come under but occasionally outsiders come in and sell meat in quantity. This undermines the sanitation upheld by the local butchers. Patronize your local qualified butcher. Buy where you have the protection of the act and make a decision to have meat inspected in Olds and district for all dealers not just your established butcher.

—Olds Gazette

## NOTICE

### DIVISION NO. 1 OF MUNICIPAL MEETING and Nomination of Candidates AT GENERAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of  
Municipal District of Mountain View No. 49

Legion Hall, Didsbury  
at One o'clock p.m. on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1946

For the discussion of the affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m. on the same day, and at the same place, nominations for the office of councillor and hospital representative will be received.

Two Councillors and three hospital Representatives  
are to be Elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following electoral divisions:  
DIVISION NO. 1  
Hospital representatives are to be elected for the following Municipal  
Divisions: For Olds Municipal Hospital—Division No. 1; and  
Division No. 4.

FOR DIDSBURY MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL — DIVISION NO. 2.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1946.

G. A. YOUNGS,

Returning Officer

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Through conditions beyond control of the Grain and Malting Trades of Canada barley of all grades has been reduced to a common basic level in respect of returns to producers. The National Barley Committee has received assurance that this arrangement is temporary and concerns only the 1945 crop. Hence when planning the crop production programme for 1946 it may be safely assumed that GOOD QUALITY O.A.C. 21 BARLEY will again command a ready outlet and a premium price for malting purposes both at home and abroad.

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## Farmers Short Course Next Wednesday

Business men and members of the Olds Agricultural Society as well as farmers of the district are reminded not to forget the grand short course being sponsored jointly by the Alberta Department of Agriculture and Olds Agricultural Society next Wednesday and being held in the Alberta Auditorium.

An ad in this issue gives the speakers and their topics and judging from the program, a real worthwhile time will be had by all those attending.

This event is being held in order that farmers and their families may have first hand information on many subjects that a farmer is interested in.

A special dinner has been arranged to be held in the Elks hall at noon. I. G. Paulson secretary of the society has the tickets and they are now on sale to all members and farmers and their friends. Dinner is being served by the Bennett Hamner ladies aid.

Business men are asked to have their Wednesday dinner there and hear the dinner speaker and take in the afternoon sessions. It is an opportunity to spend a profitable day.

—Olds Gazette

## Olds Out Of League Playoff May Enter Provincial Playdowns

From the beginning of the intermediate play this year and the entry into the Central Alberta Intermediate league, it looked as though Olds, drawing envy from some of the other teams in the league, would be on the short end of the stick when the playoffs came and that is just what happened.

Throughout the playing time in the league, Olds had a few enemies, and although we were late comers into the league, earned right to the playoffs on points according to Manager Stan Hodgson. But officials of the league hoping against hope for home games and gate receipts, weighed Olds out last week in favor of Stettler, whose gates and playing time in the league were bigger and longer. Olds was given no official rating.

Be that as it may, Olds can take it, and are considering the entry of the team in the Alberta playoffs which will get underway shortly. It would be an upset if Olds took the southern playoffs and was teamed against Camrose for the north in the finals of the playdowns. Not revenge, just a square deal.

Monday night at Carstairs the Olds Elks defeated a picked Camrose-Crossfield team 2 to 1. Scores for Olds were: Al Clark and Vic McCormick. Lineup was as follows: Goal, A. Brown; Defence, J. Hodgson, J. Scherder; Forwards, H. Hodgson, B. Proulx, H. Macleod, A. Clark, V. McCormick and Joe Clark.

—Olds Gazette

### ALBERTA FORAGE CROP

ENCOURAGEMENT POLICY  
Alberta farming is passing from its pioneer stages and taking on a more stable and permanent form. As this development progresses the growing of grasses and legumes becomes synonymous in the minds of farmers, with good farming. They are coming to realize that forage crops go a long way towards providing the answer to soil conservation and weed control problems while at the same time supplying nutritious fodder for successful livestock production.

The Alberta Department of Agriculture has encouraged this trend through the operation of its Forage Crop Policy. The policy will operate again in 1946. It is designed to encourage farmers to increase their acreage of forage crops and legume seed are made available freight prepaid, from agencies throughout the province. These agencies supply information as to prices, take orders and supply seed to farmers. They also have on hand a supply of information pertaining to forage crop seeding and management practices.

Furthermore, because of strong export markets, the Department of Agriculture has reserved considerable quantities of forage crop seeds to meet the needs of Alberta farmers, but the supply is limited and orders can only be accepted while the reserves last. Only those farmers who place their orders with a local agent at an early date can be assured that seed will be supplied.

Seed shipments will go out to agents in the early spring and will then be supplied to farmers who have placed orders. In many districts a "Seed Distribution Day" will be held with the District Agriculturalist present to discuss forage crop problems with farmers.

### CLOSE RED DEER OFFICE OF W.P.T.B.

Effective February 15, 1946 the area now served by the local office of the Wildlife Prices and Trade Board at Red Deer will be consolidated under the jurisdiction of the Edmonton office. F. A. Dowler local representative announces.

This is in line with the policy adopted by the Board which has completed consolidation in various other parts of Canada.

The Board office in Edmonton will be in a position to continue the services previously rendered by the office now being closed.

Local Ration Boards in Red Deer and the surrounding territory will continue to operate to meet ration problems in their communities.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lesak, Sr. and daughter, Kate, were in Calgary on Friday last week. Kate left for Victoria on the evening train, where she will undergo training in a Victoria hospital to become a nurse.

## Cut Hog Losses at Farrowing Time

A study of the average size of litters at birth and at weaning time has shown that 40% of the pigs farrowed in Alberta are lost each year between farrowing and weaning. This means that four pigs out of an average litter of ten never get started on the road to market. While a dead pig at farrowing does not represent a heavy loss, it means that on the basis of two litters per year, to market a hundred and twenty hogs, ten sows must be kept and feed the year around instead of six or eight.

Much of the loss of pig life is the result of:

1. Lack of attention at farrowing time.

2. Unsuitable farrowing pens.

3. Chilling of early spring litters.

It is always advisable to remove a sow from her winter quarters a week before farrowing so that she will settle down and become accustomed to her new surroundings before the pigs arrive. A sow that is put in a strange pen just a few hours before farrowing is likely to be restless and cross and therefore careless during and after the birth of the pigs. If a sow is irritable, it is a good plan to remove the pigs from the pen as they arrive, keep them warm and replace the whole litter after the sow has settled down.

A pen 9 ft. by 10 ft. is suitable for farrowing. Many of the pigs lost are killed by crushing because of small pens or because the sow lays down with her back up against the wall. Pigs behind her then have no chance to escape. The installation of guard rails of 4x4 or iron pipe, six inches out from the wall and eight inches above the floor has proven a satisfactory means of cutting down loss by crushing. Bedding with chaff or fine straw will be found more satisfactory than straw that is long and coarse. Young pigs, especially those a little weak at birth, very often become entangled or lost in coarse bedding. This exposes them to trampling and crushing.

Artificial heat for early litters has been supplied successfully several ways. A brooder house is excellent, but unless one is already on the farm the shortage of materials and cost of construction may be prohibitive at the present time. A stove heated pigpen will prevent chilling but it does not serve the other purpose of keeping the pigs away from the sow between nursings. The use of electric pig brooders is a possibility that might well be investigated by hog producers who are served with electric power.

W. C. G.

### CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE—Purchased Tanworth Gilt four months old. Registered Hereford Bull, 1 year old. Domino bred, 10 months old Hereford bull. Purebred, not registered. Clayton Hill, Phone 1712, Crossfield, Alta. 51-41p

ROSEBUD INOCULATION UNIT. Well Baby and Inoculation clinics will be held once a month as follows:

Crossfield United Church Parlor—The first Thursday of each month, 2 to 4 p.m. These clinics are free. You are cordially invited to attend.

FOR SALE—Truck business includes 1944 Fargo 3 1/2 ton truck; a new truck, stucco garage, and 4-roomed dwelling. J. Richards, Phone 56, at Crossfield. 52-11p

FOR SALE—Battery radio, Elkhorn range. Large size steel baby crib; modern buffet and other small articles too numerous to mention. Mrs. J. Richards. 1-11p

FOR SALE—Alfalfa and green feed. H. Boone on the highway, 3 miles south. 53-11p

### CHURCH SERVICES

UNITED CHURCH

Madden at 11 a.m.

Crossfield S. S. at 11 a.m.

Evening service at 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Service—Sunday Feb. 10th

Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

Rev. J. M. Roe



Government of the Province of Alberta

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### FORAGE CROP SEED DISTRIBUTION POLICY

To encourage a wider use of forage crops, the Alberta Department of Agriculture has arranged to make grass and legume seeds available to farmers at cost.

For details as to kinds of seed and prices see the following local representatives who are co-operating in this policy:

L. R. COLWELL, OLDS

A. W. ESLER, DIDSBURY

ROY WISHART, CARSTAIRS

HARRY MAY, CROSSFIELD

Seed Supplies are Limited

Only farmers who place their orders for seed at an early date can be assured that seed will be available.

For additional information see your District Agriculturalist at Olds

HON. D. B. MacMILLAN

Minister of Agriculture

A. M. WILSON

Field Crops Commissioner

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

EXTENSION SERVICE

## AGRICULTURAL Short Course

of special interest to the district will be held

In the OLDS ARENA, OLDS

**Wed., Febr. 13**

Commencing at 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Among the subjects to be discussed will be Rural Electrification by Bruce Martin M.Sc.; Problems in Bookkeeping by W. G. Leckie, Provincial Accountant; Livestock Diseases, by Dr. P. R. Talbot, provincial veterinarian; Cattle Feeding, Finishing and Marketing by Prof. J. P. Sackville; Farmstead Planning and Home Beautification, by E. C. Hallman, supervisor of Farmstead Planning. There will also be a film on Warble Fly Control by Hugh McPhail, the District Agriculturalist.

A GRAND DINNER HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO BE HELD IN

THE ELKS' HALL AT 12:15 NOON for those attending

This short course is an earnest effort to get all the farmers and their friends in the district interested in their problems and give some lead to the solving of them. IT'S YOUR DAY FARMERS! COME AND HEAR THESE MEN GIVE YOU THE FACTS

This short course has been arranged by the Department of Agriculture and Olds Agricultural Society.

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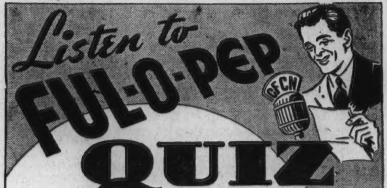
### Pay Dividends

"Car and truck owners pay for good roads whether they have them or not."

The provincial government is constitutionally responsible for the kind of roads we have in Alberta. It is morally responsible also because it collects the motor license fee, truck and bus licenses and gasoline tax.

Let us all help the Provincial Government to discharge its obligation to us by giving them the necessary encouragement to start now on the 10-year \$120,000,000 programme planned by the Department of Public Works. Now is the time to start.

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